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COUNTRY Austria (Soviet Zone) REPORT

TOPIC Military Activity at Urfahr and Gaming

EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1

DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED]

DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 16 December 1954

REFERENCES [REDACTED]

PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) [REDACTED]

REMARKS This is UNEVALUATED Information

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Urfahr

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1. On 2 December 1954, four groups of nine soldiers each did rifle drill at the Auhof Kaserne northeast of Urfahr. The installation was guarded by a sentry with black-bordered red epaulets. During the forenoon, combat noise, shouting of orders and cheering was heard from the direction of the training ground west of the kaserne. At about 1200, a group of 70 soldiers with carbines and three light machine guns entered the installation. The soldiers carried practice targets and were led by a major and two captains. Except for the major who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, the officers and soldiers had black-bordered red epaulets. An SU-76 was seen in front of a shed in which another SU-76 was parked. Radiators of 15 vehicles were seen protruding from other sheds. Eight trucks, a tank trailer and a canvas-covered mortar-like device similar to that observed at Eisenstadt on 21 October stood between the sheds. Vehicular traffic at the Auhof Kaserne included jeeps [REDACTED] driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets, and jeep [REDACTED] and trucks [REDACTED] driven by soldiers with black-bordered red epaulets.¹

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Gaming

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2. On 25 November, about 60 soldiers were drilled on an obstacle course in the former Kloostergarten at Gaming. A major and four soldiers, and trucks [REDACTED] were seen at the former Kloster (monastery). All soldiers observed wore black-bordered red epaulets. Another officer seen at the installation wore red-bordered green epaulets. Eight trucks and two van-like trucks were parked at the former Kloster.²

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1. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED]
The mortar-like device has not been identified. [REDACTED]
2. [REDACTED] Comment. Elements of a battalion of the 290th Gds Mtz Rifle Regt are believed to be stationed at Gaming.

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